

Delegate Meeting Minutes

Date May 4th, 2012 (2nd Spring Delegate Meeting)

Location Ohio Union, Senate Chambers

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1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

1.1. To effectively advocate and program to ensure that The Ohio State University graduate student experience is the best it can be.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 2.1. Gadpeally.1 entertains motion to approve minutes
- 2.2. Rao.99 seconds, Ghane.2 seconds
- 2.3. Minutes approved 3:33PM, none opposed

3. OFFICER REPORTS

3.1. President's Report

[3:34]

Gadepally.1: We are working to put together an annual report – we have many first this year and we want to make sure we're noting this down. I'm inviting any delegate who has any ideas or anything they'd like to see pursued please E-mail a brief paragraph about any success or initiatives you have been working on. Another thing that we're trying to kick off right now is a short term task force for our grants – in the past couple of years, both of these awards have become very competitive – we've seen a rise in the number of applications, and about 30% funded on RTA and the same percentage for the CDG. We'd like to put together a task force – co chaired by Erica Hartwell and Shirley Tan – goals to be improve award equitability – make sure they are known by everyone across campus – and make sure the way we judge these applications is far across the board.

Crowsley.1: global gateway?

Gadepally.1: We're going to stick with the RTA and CDG for now because we have the most data and history with these. We want to know if there are any changes we can make to the funds to allow for more awards. We'd like this to be a quick turnaround process and put in recommendations as soon as possible and put in before the next fiscal year. If you are interested in being a part of this grant commitment (4 hour commitment spread over a couple of weeks) to come up with actionable items please let Erica and Shilrye know if you're interested in being a part of this. Any students who are non-CGS students also alert them! Annual Spring picnic is at the faculty club on May 18th – it starts at 5:30PM – right before the big concert on the Oval.

3.2. Vice-President's Report

[3:38]

Cochran.291: I would like to apologize for making any nominations at the last meeting. Those of who you are with us today who are newly elected delegates - please stand!! This spring out of 92 possible seats, we elected 56 delegates from departments across the campus and many departments tat we haven't heard

form in quite some time. We do Autumn elections for any open seats – please help us publicize this when it comes around. The first and second week of the term was applications and nominations – elections were 3rd week of the quarter and we're off by a week – we certified the results yesterday – and each of you received an E-mail. All new delegates – we are going to do an orientation sometime this quarter – date TBD. We have multiple seats within the business and education school where programs are separated into smaller sections. (Shows open seats) if you know anyone in these departments it'd be great if you nominated them or reach out to me with their name! Our rules allow us that on off years we can make appointments to do a petition form so if you know anyone within these departments please let me know. Allen to send out open seats.

Crowsley1: 58 or 56?

Cochran.291: 56 I was off by two. I will be preparing an annual report with results from the workshops. Gupta.324: Those who are running for officer positions who DO NOT get elected should run for delegate positions.

4. NEW BUSINESS [3:46]

- 4.1. ACT 1112-SP-012 An Act-Amending Second Reading
- 4.2. ACT 1112-SP-013 An Act-Amending Second Reading
- 4.3. ACT 112-SP-014 An Act Amending the Standing Rules Second Reading

5. SUSPENDED BUSINESS [3:46]

A. Senator Elections

Cochran.291: housekeeping rules. New delegates you are non voting today – you cannot vote in these elections. That is because your position does not officially begin until the summer semester. So those of you who are current delegates you can vote and if you are an alternate you may also vote. If you are a brand new delegate you are not able to vote. I'd like to talk about those little packets of ballots. We're going to do this a little differently. I want to talk about how those ballots are set up – there's a line on there to write a name on it. If you write a name on that ballot and hand it in – you are voting for that candidate. If you check the box – no you are submitting a "Nay" vote or you can leave it unchecked and abstain.

Volpe.26: Significance of voting Nay for a candidate?

Cochran.291: if you feel that no one is acceptable you may choose this. Closing nominations for senator today. And Elections are Today. There is an orientation once the new exec body decides who the senate advisory chair. It is their responsibly to set up a meeting with all of the senators to talk about CGS' agenda for the year. We are going position by position – there are 10 positions. Let's first finalize nomination. If you'd like to move from your current spot to another unopposed spot during nominations is the time to do this. If you are running in a contested election and you'd like to nominate yourself into an uncontested election. You will be unable to vote for that original seat. After each candidate speaks – we will allow questions for those candidates. Motion to open questions for x amount of time. Candidates will be cut off when time is up – a delegate may move to extend that time where they like. The last point is that it's your privilege as delegates to move into executive session which is where every non voting member has to leave the room. They will be able to speak about that candidate at that time. That motion is approved by 2/3 majority vote. These also

apply to officer elections later on. We're starting with positions that are open - anyone want to move?

5.1. Senator Elections

5.1.1. Education Senator Elections

[3:54 PM]

Cochran.291 entertain motion for any candidate to move or nominate

Fenn.36 motions to move herself from Prof. Bio. Sciences to Education

Assaf.8 moves to nominate Robert Mitchell.896

No other nominations

Nominations closed at 3:55PM.

Fenn.36 spoke for 3 minutes.

Mitchell.896 spoke for 3 minutes.

Cochran.291 motion to open for questions at 4:00

None opposed

Gupta.325 motion to extend questions for 1 minute

Volpe.26 seconded

None opposed

Gupta.325: want to make sure that both of you have time available on Thursdays because the meetings are 1 Thurs. a month from 3:30-5:30 – this is the biggest part of the senator commitment and if you're unable to make it to those meetings consistently.

Fenn.36: I have journal club at 11 AM and that's my only time commitment on Thursdays

Mtichell.896: I'm post candidacy and so I have that open as well.

Cochran.291 motion to close questions

No objections

Questions closed at 4:01PM

Fenn.36: Can we vote in this election?

Cochran.291: if you are a current Senator - you cannot vote, but if you're a delegate you can vote.

Cohran.291: next senator seat uncontested in the engineering senate seat. Nominations open.

5.1.2. Engineering Senator Elections

[4:04 PM]

Cochran.291 entertain new nominations 4:04 PM

Middaugh.8 from Social to Engineering

Di Bei.4 from Prof Bio Sciences to Engineering

Cochran.291 close nominations at 4:06 PM

Middaugh.8 spoke for 3 minutes.

Di Bei.4 spoke for 3 minutes.

Hammer.35 motion to extend Di Bei.4's speaking time for 30 seconds

Ghane.2 seconded

None opposed

Cochran.291: please discuss your time commitment on Thursdays

Cochran.291: entertain motion for additional questions

Cochran.291: Seeing none, move into election portion at 4:11 PM

5.1.3. Math & Physical Sciences Senator

Cochran.291: Nominations are currently open. Any nominations?

Gohlke.4 nominates James McMillan.78

James McMillan.78 accepts nomination

Cochran.291 entertain any other nominations for this positions

None - Nominations officially closed at 4:13

Cochran.291 entertain motion that for uncontested elections we may vote by hand count

Rao.99 motions to vote by hand count

Crowlsey.1 seconded

None opposed

Cochran.291 & Gadepally.1 to count hands – 31 votes for McMillan

No objections or abstains

5.1.4. Biological Sciences Senator

Cochra.291: entertain any additional nominations for Biological Sciences

No nominations

Officially close nominations for biological sciences seat.

Cochram.291: this seat is tabled until later. This might be a good time to note that if at the end of today we end up with open seats, those of you who may unfortunately lose an election you may run for that seta.

5.1.5. Social & Behavioral Sciences Senator

Cochrna.291 entertain any additional nominations at 4:19PM

Roberts.1007 self-nominates

Entertain motion for additional nominations for this seta

None - nominations closed at 4:20PM

Cochran.291 entertain motion to open questions for Louisa

Seeing none, move onto elections

Election by hand count - Gadepally.1 and Cochran.291 count hands

Raise hands - 33 hands

None abstained

5.1.6. Business Senator

Cochrna.291 entertain any additional nominations for business senator seat at 4:24 PM

None - Nominations officially closed at 4:24

Hammer.85 speak for 3 minutes.

Entertain motion for questions

Ghane.2 motions for 1 minute of questions

None opposed

Ghane.2: what is your purpose and what do you intend to gain from running for a senate seat?

Hammer.85: I was a senator this past year and I had my largest commitment with fiscal committee – I hope I can bring the discussion from that group and as well as this organization

Cochran.291 entertain motion to close questions

None opposed.

Entertain motion to count by hand at 4:25 PM

Rao.99 and Crowsley.1 seconded

None opposed

Gadepally.1 and Cochran.291 count hands.

32 votes for Hammer

None vote nay nor abstain

5.1.7. Humanities Senator

Cochran.291 entreating additional nominations

No additional candidates - nominations closed at 4:27

Assaf.8 spoke for 3 minutes.

Entertain motion for questions at 4:29PM

No questions

Cochran.291 entertain motion count by hands

Crowsley.1 motions

Roa.99 and Gupta.325 seconded

Gadepally.1 and Cochran.291 count hands

34 hands

None opposed or abstained

5.1.8. Arts Senator

Cochran. 291 Entertain any additional nominations for the arts senator seat

None – nominations closed at 4:31PM

Candidate, Richard, not present

Cochran. 291 entertain motions for questions or comments

Fenn.36 to open questions for 2 minutes

Rao.99 seconded

Fenn.36: Do you have any idea of what Richard would do for the Senate seat

Thornton (stand in): he has passionate international experience – in terms of his commitment I can't answer

this question – he's written a statement that is included in this packet here

Question: Why can't he make it today?

Thornton: he did not explain - I apologize

Corwlsley.1: is he available on Thursday afternoons

Thornton: I don't know

Volpe.26 motion for an additional minute

Cochran.291: the only statement is the published statement in the packet.

Cochran.291: no additional questions

Fenn.36 proposed a motion for us to look at his statement

Rao.99 and Roberts.1008 seconded

Cochran. 291 entertained motion to extend time if needed

None needed

Vote by secret ballot at 4:36PM

5.1.9 FAES Senator

Cochran. 291 entertain any additional nominations for this seat at 4:38 PM

Seeing none - nominations closed at 4:38 PM

Cochran.291 entertain motion for additional questions

Lang.279 extend for 1 minute

Rao.99 seconded

None Opposed

Sara: I've been a senator for the best two years – and I served with Sarah on the council of academic affairs and last year we worked on semester conversion so I'm just endorsing Sarah

Gupta.325: both of these candidates are excellent candidates – I endorse both candidates

5. 1. 10 Professional and Biological Sciences Senator

Cochran.291: we are down to our last 2 candidates

Cochran.291 entertain any additional nominations for Professional and Biological Sciences Senator

None

Nominations officially closed at 4:45 PM

Taylor Presslet not present

Cochran.291 entertain motion for questions or comments

None

Voting begins at 4:47 PM

Elections closed at 4:48 PM

5.2. OFFICER ELECTIONS

[4:49 PM]

Gadepally.1: Procedure for officer election is similar to the senate. Alphabetically order. After the candidate speech, the candidates will be asked to leave the room. After discussion, the candidate will be asked to come back.

Ghane.2: how long is the speech?

Gadepally.1: 3 mins for t/s; 5 mins for p/vp. Call for other nomination closed.

Sughosh: good luck candidates. As acting chair of officer elections, I recuse myself form voting to maintain fairness.

Gadepally.1: invite porsha to speak.

Smith speech ends at 4:53.

Yuan speech ends at 4:59.

Crowsley.1: 4 MINS FOR QAND A.

Crowsley.1: PAST EXPERIENCE WITH FINANCES ANDLEADERSHIP.

Porsha: I had previous experience in org like CGS

Yuan: im the person to in charge of the lab finances. Keep track on the orders. Serving as the judge of RTA so I know how to allocate the money.

Gadepally.1: other questions.

Gupta: have you talked to Shirley about this position.

Yuan: I did.

Porsha: I didn't but I talked to vj

Delegate: you said you had experience in lab financial. Im a little confused. Could you elaborate this?

Yuan: check the vendor, good products, shipping methods, organize lab work.

Delagate: extend 1 min.

Collecting votes.

Gadepally.1: Open for nomination for secretary. Zach is not available but provides the video. invites lei wan.

Wan speech ends at 5:10.

Gadepally.1: entertain the motion to play the video.

Sughosh made the motion.

Zach speech ends at 5:15.

Gadepally.1: entertain the motion for questions.

Crowsley.1: motion for 2 mins.

Crowsley.1: have you talked to Allie?

Wan: no, But I talked to Shirley and checked the secretary duties on the site.

Sturm.42: zach didn't approach me either.

Delegate: a big time involvement.

Wan: this is quarter will be last quarter for classes. No more in the future so I'll be able to devote.

Gupta: executive session 2 minutes. All non-voting member please leave the room.

Exec session is over at 5:26.

Non-voting members came back at 5:27.

Gadepally.1: Michael bowman, Robert Mitchell, Jessica middle, eshan, mira, james, tom hammer, chris

vople, Louisa. We still have a position open at the biological sciences. Secretary vote is over. Invite vp.

Close vp nomination. VP election. Invite Crowsley.1 to speak.

Crowsley.1 speech ends at 5:36.

Kuzawa extends for 1 min.

Gadepally.1: INVITES ALLIE.

Sturm speech ends at 5: 41.

VJ: entertain a motion for questions.

Kuzawa: 2 MINS. Fluid agenda?

Sturm: we moved delegate concerns to the top so we dont run out of time at the end. Allow enough time for delegates to speak their concerns. Delegate oriented.

Kuzawa: not clear enough. Do you expect delegates come to you for issues?

Sturm: for example, eshan came to me for qs. And we didn't have time to address that.

Gadepally.1: encourage questions.

Delegate: 2 mins. How are you going to reconcile the departments which don't participate cgs delegate application.

Crowsley.1: personal touch. My own experience as delegate, I didn't have the foundation to build upon...

Delegate: being selective about the delegates?

Crowsley.1: the interview is for successful delegates

Gupta.325: in motion to finish

Crowsley.1: the goal of CGS changes every year. The interview is key to that. Delegates are important.

Delegates made CGS what it is.

Gadepally.1: question. Exec session??

Seeing none.

Gadepally.1: move into the president. Invite nominations. Invite allen to speak.

Cochran.291 speech ends at 5: 55.

Gadepally.1 invites second candidate. invite Anaise. Seeing none. Entertain the question session.

Assaf: 3 mins. Jamie second.

delegate: why anaise is not here?

Sughosh: she said she has TA class.

Crowsley.1: Does allen run solo now

Gupta.325: could you tell about time commitment. Gadepally.1's life in CGS.

cohran.291: im done with the classes. And writing the thesis now. I can set my own schedule. What we have this year is for student concerns and address it.

Gadepally.1: other comments or questions?

Delegate: how do you structure meeting?

Allen: officers speak a lot and we would like to change that format. Both vp candidiates talked about that.

Gadepally.1: extends 3 more mins.

Shua: lots of empty spots for delegates. How are you going to address that?

Cochran.291: it is a problem for all student government. I believe both VP candidates that we need more face time with the departments. We can do more marketing. We run resistance at all frontsas well as student lack of the interested.

Assaf: you ran p last year. You promised the agenda.

Cochran.291: understand what we do better a an org. ill have the report. Workshop results. Limitations: info delivery is a big issue; as a vp. You're pulled to many different ways. Being able to centralize to the org is important. Time is our enemy.

Sughosh: out of time. Delegates extends

Delage: if you expected to grad in 2012. Do you have other planning to do the ohd? How do you make it work? Do you find anything not right in cgs and how do you over come it?

Sugshosh: extends time?

YES.

Cochran.291: I'll do my phd. Second, no org is perfect. Everything can be made better. Next year will be 57 yrs old. Historical view of this and dour recent history is... each year we have nuances come up. Our meetings will be improved for sure. Each year continues to be better. Partnership between the officer and delegates.

Gadepally.1: exec session.

Kuzawa.1 5 mins exec session.

Gadepally.1 closed the exec session and invite the candidates back.

Gadepally.1: asked delegates to stay for new business approval. I personally requested the travel funds for a leadership learning to Michigan State

Delegate: is it for your personal travel

Gupta.325 approved. Travel funding approved.

Gadepally.1: the guide. Cgs is working to put a new publication which would be web based. It is a three part

pub with three sessions: liver, work play, info about on and off campus. Work session will contain where they can find funding on campus. Play session roughly contain info about what to do in Columbus, the plan is to disseminate the info by sending the incoming grad students. The costs is \$2550

Sturm: it's a one time fee. One time start up/ we can change contents throughout the year.

Delegate: did you shop around?

Gadepally.1: Motion to approve

None opposed

VJ: WELCOME president allen, VP allie, secretary zach, treasurer porsha. Please approve this funding request.

Sughosh: thank you Rebecca and Kristen.

VJ: congrats to all elected officers. Meeting adjourn!!!!